

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111  
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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

**Please delete the present Abstract of the Disclosure and replace it with the following new Abstract of the Disclosure.**

~~The invention occurs a~~ A method for estimating a signal-to-noise ratio, in particular digital, received by a radio communication receiver. ~~Said method is characterised in that it consists in~~ The method includes estimating separately the signal and the noise and ~~[[in]]~~ filtering (36, 44) separately the signal ( $E_b$ ) and the noise ( $N_0$ ) before carrying out the division (40) of the signal from the noise. The noise filtering is for example of the statistical type, whereas the signal filtering is of the low-pass filtering type.